

# HEISENBERG DOUBLE $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$ AS A BRAIDED COMMUTATIVE YETTER–DRINFELD MODULE ALGEBRA OVER THE DRINFELD DOUBLE

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**ABSTRACT.** We study the Yetter–Drinfeld  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ -module algebra structure on the Heisenberg double  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  endowed with a “heterotic” action of the Drinfeld double  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ . This action can be interpreted in the spirit of Lu’s description of  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  as a twist of  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ . In terms of the braiding of Yetter–Drinfeld modules,  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  is braided commutative. By the Brzeziński–Militaru theorem,  $\mathcal{H}(B^*) \# \mathcal{D}(B)$  is then a Hopf algebroid over  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$ . For  $B$  a particular Taft Hopf algebra at a  $2p$ th root of unity, the construction is adapted to yield Yetter–Drinfeld module algebras over the  $2p^3$ -dimensional quantum group  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{qsl}(2)$ . In particular, it follows that  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$  is a braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{qsl}(2)$ -module algebra and  $\text{Mat}_p(\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{qsl}(2))$  is a Hopf algebroid over  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$ .

## 1. INTRODUCTION

For a Hopf algebra  $B$ , the Heisenberg double  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  is the smash product  $B^* \# B$  with respect to the left regular action  $b \rightarrow \beta = \langle \beta'', b \rangle \beta'$  of  $B$  on  $B^*$ ; the composition in  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  is given by

$$(1.1) \quad (\alpha \# a)(\beta \# b) = \alpha(a' \rightarrow \beta) \# a''b, \quad \alpha, \beta \in B^*, \quad a, b \in B.$$

Let  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  be the Drinfeld double of  $B$ , with its elements written as  $\mu \otimes m$ , where  $\mu \in B^*$  and  $m \in B$ ; the composition in  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  is  $(\mu \otimes m)(\nu \otimes n) = \mu(m' \rightarrow \nu \leftarrow S^{-1}(m''')) \otimes m''n$  (and the coalgebra structure is that of  $B^{*\text{cop}} \otimes B$ ). We define a  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  action on  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  as

$$(1.2) \quad (\mu \otimes m) \triangleright (\beta \# b) = \mu'''(m' \rightarrow \beta) S^{*-1}(\mu'') \# ((m''bS(m''')) \leftarrow S^{*-1}(\mu')),$$

$$\mu \otimes m \in \mathcal{D}(B), \quad \beta \# b \in \mathcal{H}(B^*),$$

where  $b \leftarrow \mu = \langle \mu, b' \rangle b''$  is the right regular action of  $B^*$  on  $B$  (and  $\langle, \rangle$  is the evaluation).

**1.1. Theorem.** *For a Hopf algebra  $B$  with bijective antipode,  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  endowed with action (1.2) and the coaction*

$$(1.3) \quad \delta : \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{H}(B^*) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(B) \otimes \mathcal{H}(B^*) \\ \beta \# b \mapsto (\beta'' \otimes b') \otimes (\beta' \# b'') \end{array}$$

*is a (left–left) Yetter–Drinfeld  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ -module algebra.*

By a Yetter–Drinfeld module algebra we mean a module comodule algebra that is also a Yetter–Drinfeld module, i.e., a compatibility condition between the action and the coaction holds in the form

$$(1.4) \quad (M' \triangleright A)_{(-1)} M'' \otimes (M' \triangleright A)_{(0)} = M' A_{(-1)} \otimes (M'' \triangleright A_{(0)}),$$

where, in our case,  $M \in \mathcal{D}(B)$  and  $A \in \mathcal{H}(B^*)$ .<sup>1</sup>

We recall from [1, 2, 3] that for a Hopf algebra  $H$ , a left  $H$ -module and left  $H$ -comodule algebra  $X$  is said to be *braided commutative* (or  $H$ -commutative) if

$$(1.5) \quad yx = (y_{(-1)} \triangleright x)y_{(0)}, \quad x, y \in X.$$

Also, for any two (left–left) Yetter–Drinfeld  $H$ -module algebras  $X$  and  $Y$ , their *braided product*  $X \bowtie Y$  is defined as the tensor product with the composition

$$(1.6) \quad (x \bowtie y)(v \bowtie u) = x(y_{(-1)} \triangleright v) \bowtie y_{(0)} u, \quad x, v \in X, \quad y, u \in Y.$$

(This gives a Yetter–Drinfeld module algebra.)

**1.2. Theorem.**  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  is a braided  $(\mathcal{D}(B)-)$  commutative algebra. Moreover,  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  is the braided product

$$\mathcal{H}(B^*) = B^{*\text{cop}} \bowtie B,$$

where  $B^{*\text{cop}}$  and  $B$  are (braided commutative) Yetter–Drinfeld  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  module algebras by restriction, i.e., with the  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  action

$$(\mu \otimes m) \triangleright \beta = \mu''(m \rightharpoonup \beta) S^{*-1}(\mu'), \quad (\mu \otimes m) \triangleright b = (m' b S(m'')) \leftarrow S^{*-1}(\mu)$$

and coaction  $\delta : \beta \mapsto (\beta'' \otimes 1) \otimes \beta'$ ,  $\delta : b \mapsto (\varepsilon \otimes b') \otimes b''$  ( $\beta \in B^*$ ,  $b \in B$ ).

**1.2.1.** As a corollary, the Brzeziński–Militaru theorem [2] then “provides one with a rich source of examples of bialgebroids.” In particular, *for any Hopf algebra  $B$  with bijective antipode, the “quadruple”  $\mathcal{H}(B^*) \# \mathcal{D}(B)$ , where the smash product is defined with respect to action (1.2), is a Hopf algebroid over  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$ .*

**1.2.2. A “pseudoadjoint” interpretation of (1.2).** The  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ -action (1.2) first appeared in [4]. To borrow a popular term from string theory [5] (where it was also a borrowing originally), this action may be termed “heterotic” because it is constructed by combining left and right  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  actions, as we describe in 2.2.2 (and the heterotic string famously combines “left” and “right”). Or because (1.2) “cross-breeds” regular and adjoint actions.

Trying to quantify how “far” (1.2) is from the adjoint action, we arrive at a useful interpretation of our “heterotic” action by extending Lu’s description of the product on  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  as a twist of the product on  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  [6]. The two algebraic structures,  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  and  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$ , are defined on the same vector space  $B^* \otimes B$ , and the product (1.1) in  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$ , temporarily denoted by  $\star$ , can be written as

$$(1.7) \quad M \star N = M' N' \eta(M'', N''), \quad M, N \in \mathcal{D}(B)$$

for a certain 2-cocycle  $\eta : \mathcal{D}(B) \otimes \mathcal{D}(B) \rightarrow k$  [6]. In the same vein, the  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  action on

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<sup>1</sup>For a Hopf algebra  $H$  and a left  $H$ -comodule  $X$ , we write the coaction  $\delta : X \rightarrow H \otimes X$  as  $\delta(x) = x_{(-1)} \otimes x_{(0)}$ ; then the comodule axioms are  $\langle \varepsilon, x_{(-1)} \rangle x_{(0)} = x$  and  $x'_{(-1)} \otimes x''_{(-1)} \otimes x_{(0)} = x_{(-1)} \otimes x_{(0)(-1)} \otimes x_{(0)(0)}$ .

$\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  in (1.2) can be rewritten in the “pseudoadjoint” form

$$(1.8) \quad (M, A) \mapsto M' \star A \star s(M''), \quad M \in \mathcal{D}(B), \quad A \in \mathcal{H}(B^*),$$

where  $s(M) = \eta(M', M'')S(M''')$ . Some “antipode-like” properties of  $s$  allow independently verifying that the right-hand side here *is* an action, as we show in 2.4.3, where further details are given.

**1.2.3.** The Heisenberg double  $\mathcal{H}(B^*) = B^{*\text{cop}} \bowtie B$  can be regarded as the lowest term,  $\mathcal{H}(B^*) = \mathcal{H}_2$ , in a series of *Heisenberg  $n$ -tuples*, or *chains*  $\mathcal{H}_n$  — the Yetter–Drinfeld  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ -modules

$$\mathcal{H}_{2n} = B^{*\text{cop}} \bowtie B \bowtie B^{*\text{cop}} \bowtie B \bowtie \dots \bowtie B,$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{2n+1} = B^{*\text{cop}} \bowtie B \bowtie B^{*\text{cop}} \bowtie B \bowtie \dots \bowtie B \bowtie B^{*\text{cop}}$$

(with  $2n$  and  $2n + 1$  factors), with the relations

$$(1.9) \quad b[2i] \beta[2j+1] = (b' \rightarrow \beta)[2j+1] b''[2i] \quad \text{for all } i \text{ and } j,$$

(where  $B^{*\text{cop}} \rightarrow B^{*\text{cop}}[2j+1]$  and  $B \rightarrow B[2i]$  are the morphisms onto the respective factors, and we omit  $\bowtie$  for simplicity), and

$$(1.10) \quad \alpha[2i+1] \beta[2j+1] = (\alpha''' \beta S^{*-1}(\alpha''))[2j+1] \alpha'[2i+1], \quad i \geq j$$

$$(1.11) \quad a[2i] b[2j] = (a' b S(a''))[2j] a'''[2i], \quad i \geq j,$$

where  $a, b \in B$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in B^{*\text{cop}}$ .

**1.3.** As regards the popular subject of Yetter–Drinfeld modules, we note Refs. [8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 1]. Heisenberg doubles [13, 14, 15, 6], among various smash products, have attracted some attention, notably in relation to Hopf algebroid constructions [16, 17, 2] (the basic observation being that  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  is a Hopf algebroid over  $B^*$  [16]) and also from various other standpoints and for different purposes [18, 7, 19, 20]. (A relatively recent paper where Yetter–Drinfeld-like structures are studied in relation to “smash” products is [21].)

**1.4.** The above results are proved quite straightforwardly. The proofs are given in Sec. 2; there,  $B$  denotes a Hopf algebra with bijective antipode. When we pass to an example in Sec. 3,  $B$  becomes a particular Taft Hopf algebra.

**1.5.** The example worked out in Sec. 3 is that of the  $2p^3$ -dimensional quantum group  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}} \mathfrak{sl}(2)$  at the  $2p$ th root of unity

$$\mathfrak{q} = e^{\frac{i\pi}{p}},$$

( $p = 2, 3, \dots$ ). This is the Hopf algebra with generators  $E$ ,  $K$ , and  $F$  and the relations

$$KEK^{-1} = \mathfrak{q}^2 E, \quad KFK^{-1} = \mathfrak{q}^{-2} F, \quad [E, F] = \frac{K - K^{-1}}{\mathfrak{q} - \mathfrak{q}^{-1}},$$

$$E^p = F^p = 0, \quad K^{2p} = 1,$$

and the Hopf algebra structure  $\Delta(E) = E \otimes K + 1 \otimes E$ ,  $\Delta(K) = K \otimes K$ ,  $\Delta(F) = F \otimes 1 + K^{-1} \otimes F$ ,  $\varepsilon(E) = \varepsilon(F) = 0$ ,  $\varepsilon(K) = 1$ ,  $S(E) = -EK^{-1}$ ,  $S(K) = K^{-1}$ ,  $S(F) = -KF$ .

**1.5.1.**  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  is “almost” the Drinfeld double of a  $4p^2$ -dimensional Taft Hopf algebra  $B$ , more precisely, a “truncation” of the double obtained by taking a quotient and then restricting to a subalgebra. This close kinship of  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  to a Drinfeld double extends to the “Heisenberg side”: it turns out that the pair  $(\mathcal{D}(B), \mathcal{H}(B^*))$  can also be “truncated” to a pair  $(\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2), \overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2))$  of  $2p^3$ -dimensional algebras, where  $\overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  is a braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$ -module algebra.

**1.5.2.** Interestingly, the  $2p^3$ -dimensional braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$ -module algebra  $\overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  can be described as

$$\overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2) \cong \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda]), \quad \mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda] \equiv \mathbb{C}[\lambda]/(\lambda^{2p} - 1),$$

which adds a matrix flavor to our example. In the matrix language, the relevant structures are described as follows.

First, the  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  action on matrices  $X = (x_{ij})$  with  $\lambda$ -dependent entries is given by

$$(1.12) \quad (K \triangleright X)_{ij} = \mathfrak{q}^{2(i-j)} (x_{ij}|_{\lambda \rightarrow \mathfrak{q}^{-1}\lambda}),$$

and

$$(1.13) \quad E \triangleright X = \frac{1}{\mathfrak{q} - \mathfrak{q}^{-1}} (XZ - Z(K \triangleright X)),$$

$$(1.14) \quad F \triangleright X = \frac{1}{\mathfrak{q} - \mathfrak{q}^{-1}} (DX - (K^{-1} \triangleright X)D),$$

where

$$(1.15) \quad Z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots\dots\dots & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & \dots\dots\dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots\dots\dots & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad D = (\mathfrak{q} - \mathfrak{q}^{-1}) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \dots\dots\dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathfrak{q}^{-1}[2] & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots\dots\dots & 0 & \mathfrak{q}^{2-p}[p-1] \\ 0 & \dots\dots\dots & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and we use the standard notation

$$[n] = \frac{\mathfrak{q}^n - \mathfrak{q}^{-n}}{\mathfrak{q} - \mathfrak{q}^{-1}}, \quad [n]! = [1][2] \dots [n], \quad \begin{bmatrix} m \\ n \end{bmatrix} = \frac{[m]!}{[m-n]![n]}.$$

Next, to describe the coaction  $\delta : \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda]) \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2) \otimes \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda])$ , we first note that  $\mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda]$  is the algebra of coinvariants,  $\delta : \lambda \mapsto 1 \otimes \lambda$ . It therefore remains to define  $\delta$  on “constant” matrices  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$ . But the full matrix algebra  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$  is algebraically generated by the above  $Z$  and  $D$ , and we have

$$(1.16) \quad \begin{aligned} \delta : \quad & Z \mapsto K^{-1} \otimes Z - (\mathfrak{q} - \mathfrak{q}^{-1})EK^{-1} \otimes 1, \\ & D \mapsto K^{-1} \otimes D + (\mathfrak{q} - \mathfrak{q}^{-1})F \otimes 1. \end{aligned}$$

To summarize,

**1.5.3. Theorem.** *With the above  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  action and coaction,  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda])$  and  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$  are braided commutative left–left Yetter–Drinfeld  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$ -module algebras.*

**1.5.4.** By Theorem 4.1 in [2], as already noted in 1.2.1, we then have examples of bialgebroids:

$$\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda]) \# \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}) \# \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$$

are Hopf algebroids over the respective algebras  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda])$  and  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$ ; further details are given in 3.4.

**1.6. Hopf algebras and logarithmic conformal field theory.** An additional source of interest in  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  is its occurrence in a version of the Kazhdan–Lusztig duality [22], specifically, as the quantum group dual to a class of *logarithmic models* of conformal field theory [23, 24, 25, 26, 27].

In the “logarithmic” Kazhdan–Lusztig duality,  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  appeared in [23, 24]; subsequently, it gradually transpired (with the final picture having emerged from [28]) that that was just a continuation of a series of previous (re)discoveries of this quantum group [29, 30, 31] (also see [32]). The ribbon and (somewhat stretching the definition) factorizable structures of  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  were worked out in [23].

That  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  is Kazhdan–Lusztig-dual to logarithmic models of conformal field theory — specifically,  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  at  $\mathfrak{q} = e^{\frac{i\pi}{p}}$  is dual to the  $(p, 1)$  logarithmic model [33] — means several things, in particular, (i) the  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  representation on the  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  center coincides with the  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  representation generated from the characters of the symmetry algebra of the logarithmic model [23], the so-called triplet  $W(p)$  algebra [34, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38], and (ii) the  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  and  $W(p)$  representation categories are equivalent [24, 26, 27].

The “Heisenberg counterpart” of  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$ , its braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld module algebra  $\overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$ , is also likely to play a role in the Kazhdan–Lusztig context [39, 4], but this is a subject of future work.

## 2. $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$ AS A YETTER–DRINFELD $\mathcal{D}(B)$ -MODULE ALGEBRA

We begin with simple facts about Yetter–Drinfeld module algebras, concentrating in 2.1 on the construction of a braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld module algebra as a braided product  $X \bowtie Y$  of two such algebras  $X$  and  $Y$ . In 2.2, we then specialize to  $X = B^{*\text{cop}}$  and  $Y = B$ , viewed as  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  module algebras under the heterotic action. We verify that all the necessary conditions are then satisfied, hence our conclusion in 2.3. In 2.4, we give a “pseudoadjoint” interpretation of the heterotic action, and in 2.5 consider multiple “alternating” braided products.

**2.1.** The category of Yetter–Drinfeld modules over a Hopf algebra with bijective antipode is well known to be braided, with the braiding  $c_{X,Y} : X \otimes Y \rightarrow Y \otimes X$  given by

$$c_{X,Y} : x \otimes y \mapsto (x_{(-1)} \triangleright y) \otimes x_{(0)}.$$

The inverse is  $c_{X,Y}^{-1} : y \otimes x \mapsto x_{(0)} \otimes S^{-1}(x_{(-1)}) \triangleright y$ .

We say that two Yetter–Drinfeld modules  $X$  and  $Y$  are *braided symmetric* if

$$c_{Y,X} = c_{X,Y}^{-1}$$

(note that both sides here are maps  $Y \otimes X \rightarrow X \otimes Y$ ), that is,

$$(y_{(-1)} \triangleright x) \otimes y_{(0)} = x_{(0)} \otimes (S^{-1}(x_{(-1)}) \triangleright y).$$

**2.1.1. Lemma.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be braided symmetric Yetter–Drinfeld modules, each of which is a braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld module algebra. Then their braided product  $X \bowtie Y$  is a braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld module algebra.*

**2.1.2. Proof.** Beyond the standard facts, we have to show the braided commutativity, i.e.,

$$(2.1) \quad ((x \bowtie y)_{(-1)} \triangleright (v \bowtie u)) (x \bowtie y)_{(0)} = (x \bowtie y) (v \bowtie u)$$

for all  $x, v \in X$  and  $y, u \in Y$ . For this, we write the condition  $c_{X,Y} = c_{Y,X}^{-1}$  as

$$(x_{(-1)} \triangleright y) \otimes x_{(0)} = y_{(0)} \otimes (S^{-1}(y_{(-1)}) \triangleright x)$$

and use this to establish an auxiliary identity,

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} ((x_{(-1)} \triangleright y)_{(-1)} \triangleright x_{(0)}) \otimes (x_{(-1)} \triangleright y)_{(0)} &= (y_{(0)(-1)} \triangleright (S^{-1}(y_{(-1)}) \triangleright x)) \otimes y_{(0)(0)} \\ &= (y''_{(-1)} S^{-1}(y'_{(-1)}) \triangleright x) \otimes y_{(0)} \\ &= x \otimes y. \end{aligned}$$

The left-hand side of (2.1) can then be calculated as

$$\begin{aligned} &((x \bowtie y)_{(-1)} \triangleright (v \bowtie u)) (x \bowtie y)_{(0)} \\ &= (x_{(-1)} y_{(-1)} \triangleright (v \bowtie u)) (x_{(0)} \bowtie y_{(0)}) \\ &= ((x'_{(-1)} y'_{(-1)} \triangleright v) \bowtie (x''_{(-1)} y''_{(-1)} \triangleright u)) (x_{(0)} \bowtie y_{(0)}) \\ &= (x'_{(-1)} y'_{(-1)} \triangleright v) ((x''_{(-1)} y''_{(-1)} \triangleright u)_{(-1)} \triangleright x_{(0)}) \bowtie (x''_{(-1)} y''_{(-1)} \triangleright u)_{(0)} y_{(0)} \\ &= (x_{(-1)} y'_{(-1)} \triangleright v) ((x_{(0)(-1)} \triangleright (y''_{(-1)} \triangleright u))_{(-1)} \triangleright x_{(0)(0)}) \bowtie (x_{(0)(-1)} \triangleright (y''_{(-1)} \triangleright u))_{(0)} y_{(0)} \\ &= (x_{(-1)} y'_{(-1)} \triangleright v) x_{(0)} \bowtie (y''_{(-1)} \triangleright u) y_{(0)}, \end{aligned}$$

just because of (2.2) in the last equality. But the right-hand side of (2.1) is

$$\begin{aligned} (x \bowtie y) (v \bowtie u) &= x (y_{(-1)} \triangleright v) \bowtie y_{(0)} u \\ &= (x_{(-1)} y_{(-1)} \triangleright v) x_{(0)} \bowtie (y_{(0)(-1)} \triangleright u) y_{(0)(0)} \end{aligned}$$

because  $X$  and  $Y$  are both braided commutative. The two expressions coincide.

**2.1.3. Remark.** Because the braided symmetry condition is symmetric with respect to the two modules, we also have the braided symmetric Yetter–Drinfeld module algebra  $Y \bowtie X$ , with the product

$$(y \bowtie x)(u \bowtie v) = y(x_{(-1)} \triangleright u) \bowtie x_{(0)} v.$$

In addition to the multiplication inside  $Y$  and inside  $X$ , this formula expresses the relations  $xu = (x_{(-1)} \triangleright u)x_{(0)}$  satisfied in  $Y \bowtie X$  by  $x \in X$  and  $u \in Y$ . Because  $c_{X,Y} = c_{Y,X}^{-1}$ , these are the same relations  $ux = (u_{(-1)} \triangleright x)u_{(0)}$  that we have in  $X \bowtie Y$ . Somewhat more formally, the isomorphism

$$\phi : X \bowtie Y \rightarrow Y \bowtie X$$

is given by  $\phi : x \bowtie y \mapsto (x_{(-1)} \triangleright y) \bowtie x_{(0)}$ . This is a module map by virtue of the Yetter–Drinfeld condition, and it is immediate to verify that  $\delta(\phi(x \bowtie y)) = (\text{id} \otimes \phi)(\delta(x \bowtie y))$ .

That  $\phi$  is an algebra map follows by calculating

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(x \bowtie y)\phi(v \bowtie u) &= ((x_{(-1)} \triangleright y) \bowtie x_{(0)})((v_{(-1)} \triangleright u) \bowtie v_{(0)}) \\ &= (x_{(-1)} \triangleright y)(x_{(0)(-1)} v_{(-1)} \triangleright u) \bowtie x_{(0)(0)} v_{(0)} \\ &= (x'_{(-1)} \triangleright y)(x''_{(-1)} v_{(-1)} \triangleright u) \bowtie x_{(0)} v_{(0)} \\ &= x_{(-1)} \triangleright (y(v_{(-1)} \triangleright u)) \bowtie x_{(0)} v_{(0)} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \phi((x \bowtie y)(v \bowtie u)) &= \phi(x(y_{(-1)} \triangleright v) \bowtie y_{(0)} u) \\ &= (x_{(-1)}(y_{(-1)} \triangleright v)_{(-1)} \triangleright (y_{(0)} u)) \bowtie x_{(0)}(y_{(-1)} \triangleright v)_{(0)} \\ &\stackrel{\checkmark}{=} x_{(-1)} \triangleright (y_{(0)} u)_{(0)} \bowtie x_{(0)}(S^{-1}(y_{(0)(-1)} u_{(-1)}) \triangleright (y_{(-1)} \triangleright v)) \\ &= x_{(-1)} \triangleright (y_{(0)} u_{(0)}) \bowtie x_{(0)}(S^{-1}(y''_{(-1)} u_{(-1)}) y'_{(-1)} \triangleright v) \\ &= x_{(-1)} \triangleright (y u_{(0)}) \bowtie x_{(0)}(S^{-1}(u_{(-1)}) \triangleright v) \\ &\stackrel{\checkmark}{=} x_{(-1)} \triangleright (y(v_{(-1)} \triangleright u)) \bowtie x_{(0)} v_{(0)}, \end{aligned}$$

where the braided symmetry condition was used in each of the  $\stackrel{\checkmark}{=}$  equalities.

**2.2.** We intend to use **2.1.1** in the case where  $X = B^{*\text{cop}}$  and  $Y = B$ . This requires some preparations.

**2.2.1. Lemma.** *For a Hopf algebra  $B$  with bijective antipode, the formulas*

$$(\mu \otimes m) \triangleright \beta = \mu''(m \rightharpoonup \beta) S^{*-1}(\mu'), \quad (\mu \otimes m) \triangleright b = (m' b S(m'')) \leftarrow S^{*-1}(\mu)$$

*make  $B^{*\text{cop}}$  and  $B$  into left  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ -module algebras.*

**2.2.2.** This is known, e.g., from [17], where both these actions are discussed and references to the previous works are given. The  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  action on  $B^*$  is obtained by restricting

the *left* regular action of  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  on  $\mathcal{D}(B)^* \cong B \otimes B^*$  [6],

$$(\mu \otimes m) \rightharpoonup (b \otimes \beta) = (\mu'' \rightharpoonup b) \otimes \mu'''(m \rightharpoonup \beta) S^{*-1}(\mu'),$$

to  $1 \otimes B^*$ . Similarly, the  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  action on  $B$  is obtained [40] by restricting the *right* regular action of  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  on  $\mathcal{D}(B)^* \cong B \otimes B^*$  to  $B \otimes \varepsilon$  and using the antipode to convert it into a left action. The right regular action of  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  on  $\mathcal{D}(B)^*$  is [6, 17]

$$(b \otimes \beta) \leftharpoonup (\mu \otimes m) = S^{-1}(m''')(b \leftharpoonup \mu) m' \otimes (\beta \leftharpoonup m''),$$

where  $\beta \leftharpoonup m = \langle \beta', m \rangle \beta''$  is the right regular action of  $B$  on  $B^*$ . Restricting to  $B$  and replacing  $\mu \otimes m$  with  $(S(m''') \rightharpoonup S^{*-1}(\mu) \leftharpoonup m') \otimes S(m'')$  then gives the second formula in the lemma.

The following statement is obvious.

**2.2.3. Lemma.** *With the respective coactions*

$$\delta : \beta \mapsto (\beta'' \otimes 1) \otimes \beta', \quad \delta : b \mapsto (\varepsilon \otimes b') \otimes b'',$$

$B^{*\text{cop}}$  and  $B$  are  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ -comodule algebras.

**2.2.4. Lemma.** *With the action and coaction in 2.2.1 and 2.2.3, both  $B^{*\text{cop}}$  and  $B$  are Yetter–Drinfeld module algebras.*

It only remains to verify the Yetter–Drinfeld condition in each case. For  $B^{*\text{cop}}$ , we calculate the left-hand side of (1.4) with  $M = \mu \otimes m$  as

$$\begin{aligned} & ((\mu'' \otimes m') \triangleright \beta)_{(-1)} (\mu' \otimes m'') \otimes ((\mu'' \otimes m') \triangleright \beta)_{(0)} \\ &= ((\mu'''(m' \rightharpoonup \beta) S^{*-1}(\mu''))' \mu' \otimes m'') \otimes (\mu'''(m' \rightharpoonup \beta) S^{*-1}(\mu''))' \\ &= (\mu^{(5)}(m' \rightharpoonup \beta'') S^{*-1}(\mu^{(2)}) \mu^{(1)} \otimes m'') \otimes \mu^{(4)} \beta' S^{*-1}(\mu^{(3)}) \\ &= (\mu'''(m' \rightharpoonup \beta'') \otimes m'') \otimes \mu'' \beta' S^{*-1}(\mu'), \end{aligned}$$

but the right-hand side of (1.4) is

$$\begin{aligned} & (\mu \otimes m)' \beta_{(-1)} \otimes ((\mu \otimes m)'' \triangleright \beta_{(0)}) \\ &= (\mu''' \otimes m') (\beta'' \otimes 1) \otimes (\mu''(m'' \rightharpoonup \beta') S^{*-1}(\mu')) \\ &= (\mu''' \otimes m') ((\beta'' \leftharpoonup m'') \otimes 1) \otimes \mu'' \beta' S^{*-1}(\mu') \\ &\quad (\text{because } \beta'' \otimes (m \rightharpoonup \beta') = (\beta'' \leftharpoonup m) \otimes \beta') \\ &= (\mu'''(m^{(1)} \rightharpoonup \beta'' \leftharpoonup m^{(4)} S^{-1}(m^{(3)})) \otimes m^{(2)}) \otimes \mu'' \beta' S^{*-1}(\mu'), \end{aligned}$$

which is the same. For  $B$ , similarly, the left-hand side of (1.4) is (assuming the precedence  $ab \leftharpoonup \beta = (ab) \leftharpoonup \beta$ , and so on)

$$\begin{aligned} & ((\mu'' \otimes m') \triangleright b)_{(-1)} (\mu' \otimes m'') \otimes ((\mu'' \otimes m') \triangleright b)_{(0)} \\ &= (\varepsilon \otimes ((m' b S(m'')) \leftharpoonup S^{*-1}(\mu''))') (\mu' \otimes m'') \otimes ((m' b S(m'')) \leftharpoonup S^{*-1}(\mu''))'' \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= (\varepsilon \otimes ((m' b S(m''))' \leftarrow S^{*-1}(\mu'')))(\mu' \otimes m''') \otimes (m' b S(m''))'' \\
&\quad (\text{because } \Delta(a \leftarrow \mu) = (a' \leftarrow \mu) \otimes a'') \\
&= (\mu'' \otimes (S^{*-1}(\mu') \rightarrow (m' b S(m''))') m''') \otimes (m' b S(m''))'' \\
&\quad (\text{using the } \mathcal{D}(B)\text{-identity } (\varepsilon \otimes (b \leftarrow S^{*-1}(\mu'')))(\mu' \otimes 1) = \mu'' \otimes (S^{*-1}(\mu') \rightarrow b)) \\
&= \langle S^{*-1}(\mu'), m^{(2)} b'' S(m^{(5)}) \rangle (\mu'' \otimes (m^{(1)} b' S(m^{(6)})) m^{(7)}) \otimes m^{(3)} b''' S(m^{(4)}) \\
&= (\mu'' \otimes m^{(1)} b') \otimes (m^{(2)} b'' S(m^{(3)}) \leftarrow S^{*-1}(\mu')) \\
&= ((\mu'' \otimes m')(\varepsilon \otimes b')) \otimes ((\mu' \otimes m'') \triangleright b'') \\
&= ((\mu \otimes m)' b_{(-1)}) \otimes ((\mu \otimes m)'' \triangleright b_{(0)}),
\end{aligned}$$

which is the right-hand side.

**2.2.5. Lemma.**  $B^{*\text{cop}}$  and  $B$  are braided commutative  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ -module algebras.

This is entirely obvious once we note that when the  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  action on  $B^{*\text{cop}}$  in 2.2.1 is restricted to the action of  $B^{*\text{cop}} \otimes 1$ , it becomes the adjoint action; the same is true for the  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  action on  $B$  restricted to the action of  $\varepsilon \otimes B$ ; therefore, for example,  $(a_{(-1)} \triangleright b) a_{(0)} = (a' \triangleright b) a'' = (a' b S(a'')) a''' = ab$ .

**2.2.6. Lemma.**  $B^{*\text{cop}}$  and  $B$  are braided symmetric.

We must show that  $c_{B^{*\text{cop}}, B} = c_{B, B^{*\text{cop}}}^{-1}$ , i.e.,

$$(b_{(-1)} \triangleright \beta) \otimes b_{(0)} = \beta_{(0)} \otimes (S_{\mathcal{D}}^{-1}(\beta_{(-1)}) \triangleright b).$$

The antipode here is that of  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ , and therefore the right-hand side evaluates as  $\beta' \otimes (S^*(\beta'') \triangleright b) = \beta' \otimes (b \leftarrow S^{*-1}(S^*(\beta''))) = \beta' \otimes (b \leftarrow \beta'')$ , which is immediately seen to coincide with the left-hand side.

**2.3.** It now follows from 2.1.1 that  $B^{*\text{cop}} \bowtie B$  is a braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ -module algebra. But the product in  $B^{*\text{cop}} \bowtie B$  actually evaluates as the product in  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$ :

$$(\alpha \bowtie a)(\beta \bowtie b) = \alpha(a_{(-1)} \triangleright \beta) \bowtie a_{(0)} b = \alpha((\varepsilon \otimes a') \triangleright \beta) \bowtie a'' b = \alpha(a' \rightarrow \beta) \bowtie a'' b.$$

We therefore conclude that with the  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  action and coaction in (1.2) and (1.3),  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  is a braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ -module algebra.

**2.4. A “pseudo-adjoint” interpretation of the  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  action on  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$ .** The action defined in (1.2) can be written in the “pseudo-adjoint” form

$$(2.3) \quad (\mu \otimes m) \triangleright (\alpha \# a) = (\mu'' \# m') \star (\alpha \# a) \star s(\mu' \otimes m''),$$

where  $\star$  temporarily denotes the composition in  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$ , and

$$s(\mu \otimes m) = (\varepsilon \# S(m)) \star (S^{*-1}(\mu) \# 1)$$

$$= (S(m'') \rightarrow S^{*-1}(\mu)) \# S(m').$$

The right-hand side of (2.3) is to be compared with the adjoint action of  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  on itself,

$$(\mu \otimes m) \blacktriangleright (\nu \otimes n) = (\mu'' \otimes m') (\nu \otimes n) S_{\mathcal{D}(B)}(\mu' \otimes m''),$$

where  $S_{\mathcal{D}(B)}(\mu \otimes m) = (\varepsilon \otimes S(m))(S^{*-1}(\mu) \otimes 1) = (S(m''') \rightarrow S^{*-1}(\mu) \leftarrow m') \otimes S(m'')$ .

**2.4.1.** To show (2.3), we calculate its right-hand side as

$$\begin{aligned} & (\mu'' \# m') \star (\alpha \# a) \star ((S(m''') \rightarrow S^{*-1}(\mu')) \# S(m'')) \\ &= (\mu''(m^{(1)} \rightarrow \alpha) \# m^{(2)}a) \star ((S(m^{(4)}) \rightarrow S^{*-1}(\mu')) \# S(m^{(3)})) \\ &= \mu''(m^{(1)} \rightarrow \alpha)(m^{(2)}a'S(m^{(5)}) \rightarrow S^{*-1}(\mu')) \# m^{(3)}a''S(m^{(4)}) \\ &= \mu''(m' \rightarrow \alpha)((m''aS(m'''))' \rightarrow S^{*-1}(\mu')) \# (m''aS(m'''))'' \\ &= \mu'''(m' \rightarrow \alpha)S^{*-1}(\mu'') \# (m''aS(m''') \leftarrow S^{*-1}(\mu')) \end{aligned}$$

(because  $(a' \rightarrow \mu) \otimes a'' = \mu' \otimes (a \leftarrow \mu'')$ ).

**2.4.2.** It may be interesting to see in more detail *why* the mock-adjoint action in (2.3) is a  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  action. We recall from [6] that Eq. (1.7) holds for the product on  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$ , with the  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  product in the right-hand side and with the 2-cocycle  $\eta : \mathcal{D}(B) \otimes \mathcal{D}(B) \rightarrow k$  given by

$$\eta(\mu \otimes m, \nu \otimes n) = \langle \mu, 1 \rangle \langle \nu, m \rangle \langle \varepsilon, n \rangle.$$

Of course,  $(M, A) \mapsto M \star A$  is not a left action and  $(M, A) \mapsto A \star s(M)$  is not a right action of  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ ; instead, we have the associativity of the  $\star$  product,  $M \star (A \star N) = (M \star A) \star N$  for all  $M, A, N \in B^* \otimes B$ . But the identity  $\eta(M', N')s(N'') \star s(M'') = s(MN)$  satisfied by Lu's cocycle  $\eta$  and the “pseudo-antipode”  $s$  ensures that (2.3) (i.e., (1.8)) is nevertheless a  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  action.

From this perspective, furthermore, the  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  module algebra property of  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  is ensured by another “antipode-like” property of  $s$ ,  $s(M') \star M'' = \varepsilon(M)1$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{D}(B)$ . And the Yetter–Drinfeld condition easily follows for the “pseudo-adjoint” action because  $\delta s(M) = S(M'') \otimes s(M')$  (where  $\delta$  is the same as  $\Delta_{\mathcal{D}(B)}$  and the right-hand side is viewed as an element of  $\mathcal{D}(B) \otimes \mathcal{H}(B^*)$ ) and, of course, because  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  is a  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  comodule algebra [6]. We somewhat formalize this simple argument as the following theorem (all of whose conditions hold for Lu's cocycle).

**2.4.3. Theorem.** *For a Hopf algebra  $(H, \Delta, S, \varepsilon)$  with bijective antipode, let  $\eta$  be a normal right 2-cocycle [6], i.e., a bilinear map  $H \otimes H \rightarrow k$  such that*

$$\eta(f'g', h)\eta(f'', g'') = \eta(f, g'h')\eta(g'', h''), \quad \eta(1, h) = \eta(h, 1) = \varepsilon(h)$$

*for all  $f, g, h \in H$ , and let  $H_\star = (H, \star)$  denote the associative algebra with the product*

$$g \star h = g'h'\eta(g'', h'').$$

Let  $s : H \rightarrow H$  be given by

$$(2.4) \quad s(h) = \eta(h', h'')S(h''').$$

If the conditions

$$(2.5) \quad \eta(s(h'), h'') = \varepsilon(h),$$

$$(2.6) \quad \eta(h', s(h'')) = \varepsilon(h),$$

$$(2.7) \quad \eta(g', h')\eta(s(h''), s(g'')) = \eta(g'h', g''h'')$$

hold for all  $g, h \in H$ , then  $H_\star$  is a left–left Yetter–Drinfeld  $H$ -module algebra under the left  $H$ -action

$$(2.8) \quad g \triangleright h = g' \star h \star s(g'')$$

and left coaction  $\delta = \Delta$ , viewed as a map  $H_\star \rightarrow H \otimes H_\star$ . Moreover,  $H_\star$  is braided commutative.

Conditions (2.5)–(2.7) can be reformulated as

$$(2.9) \quad s(h') \star h'' = \varepsilon(h)1,$$

$$(2.10) \quad h' \star s(h'') = \varepsilon(h)1,$$

$$(2.11) \quad \eta(g', h')s(h'') \star s(g'') = s(gh).$$

Also, it follows from (2.4) that  $\Delta(s(h)) = S(h'') \otimes s(h')$ .

That (2.8) is an  $H$  action immediately follows from (2.11). The module algebra property follows from (2.9). The left coaction  $\delta$  makes  $H_\star$  into a comodule algebra for any right cocycle  $\eta$  [6]. The Yetter–Drinfeld axiom is then verified as straightforwardly as for the true adjoint action:

$$\begin{aligned} (h' \triangleright g)_{(-1)} h'' \otimes (h' \triangleright g)_{(0)} &= (h' \star g \star s(h''))' h''' \otimes (h' \star g \star s(h''))'' \\ &= h^{(1)} g' S(h^{(4)}) h^{(5)} \otimes h^{(2)} \star g'' \star s(h^{(3)}) = h' g_{(-1)} \otimes (h'' \triangleright g_{(0)}). \end{aligned}$$

The braided commutativity is also immediate:

$$\begin{aligned} (h_{(-1)} \triangleright g) \star h_{(0)} &= h'_{(-1)} \star g \star s(h''_{(-1)}) \star h_{(0)} = h' \star g \star s(h'') \star h''' \\ &= h' \star g \star 1 \varepsilon(h'') = h \star g. \end{aligned}$$

**2.5. Multiple braided products.** Further examples of Yetter–Drinfeld module algebras are produced by extending the Heisenberg double  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  to multiple “alternating” braided products. We first return to the setting of **2.1**.

**2.5.1.** Multiple braided products  $X_1 \bowtie \dots \bowtie X_N$  of Yetter–Drinfeld  $H$ -module algebras  $X_i$  are the corresponding tensor products with the diagonal action and codiagonal coaction of  $H$ , and with the relations

$$(2.12) \quad x[i] \bowtie y[j] = (x_{(-1)} \triangleright y)[j] \bowtie x_{(0)}[i], \quad i > j,$$

where  $z[i] \in X_i$ . (The inverse relation is  $x[i] \bowtie y[j] = y_{(0)}[j] \bowtie (S^{-1}(y_{(-1)}) \triangleright x)[i]$ ,  $i < j$ .) It readily follows from the Yetter–Drinfeld module algebra axioms for each of the  $X_i$  that  $X_1 \bowtie \dots \bowtie X_N$  is an associative algebra and, in fact, a Yetter–Drinfeld  $H$ -module algebra. In particular, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & (x_1[i_1] \bowtie \dots \bowtie x_m[i_m]) \bowtie (y_1[j_1] \bowtie \dots \bowtie y_n[j_n]) \\ &= ((x_{1(-1)} \dots x_{m(-1)}) \triangleright (y_1[j_1] \bowtie \dots \bowtie y_n[j_n])) \bowtie (x_{1(0)}[i_1] \bowtie \dots \bowtie x_{m(0)}[i_m]) \end{aligned}$$

whenever  $i_a > j_b$  for all  $a = 1, \dots, m$  and  $b = 1, \dots, n$ .

**2.5.2. “Alternating” braided products.** Next, let  $X$  and  $Y$  be braided symmetric Yetter–Drinfeld  $H$ -module algebras, and consider the “alternating” products

$$X \bowtie Y \bowtie X \bowtie Y \bowtie \dots,$$

with an arbitrary number of factors (or a similar product with the leftmost  $Y$ , or actually their inductive limits with respect to the obvious embeddings). We let  $X[i]$  denote the  $i$ th copy of  $X$ , and similarly with  $Y[j]$ . For arbitrary  $x[i] \in X[i]$  and  $y[j] \in Y[j]$ , we then have relations (2.12), i.e.,

$$(2.13) \quad x[2i+1] \bowtie y[2j] = (x_{(-1)} \triangleright y)[2j] \bowtie x_{(0)}[2i+1],$$

for all  $i \geq j$ , but by the braided symmetry condition, relations (2.13)—replicas of the relations between elements of  $X$  and elements of  $Y$  in  $X \bowtie Y$ —*hold for all  $i$  and  $j$* . In the multiple products, in addition, we also have the relations

$$(2.14) \quad \begin{aligned} x[2i+1] \bowtie v[2j+1] &= (x_{(-1)} \triangleright v)[2j+1] \bowtie x_{(0)}[2i+1], \quad x, v \in X, \\ y[2i] \bowtie u[2j] &= (y_{(-1)} \triangleright u)[2j] \bowtie y_{(0)}[2i], \quad y, u \in Y, \end{aligned} \quad i > j$$

(which also hold for  $i = j$  if  $X$  and  $Y$  are braided commutative.)

**2.5.3. Heisenberg  $n$ -tuples/chains.** Generalizing  $\mathcal{H}(B^*) \cong B^{*\text{cop}} \bowtie B \cong B \bowtie B^{*\text{cop}}$ , we have “Heisenberg  $n$ -tuples/chains”—the alternating products

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{2n} &= B^{*\text{cop}} \bowtie B \bowtie B^{*\text{cop}} \bowtie B \bowtie \dots \bowtie B, \\ \mathcal{H}_{2n+1} &= B^{*\text{cop}} \bowtie B \bowtie B^{*\text{cop}} \bowtie B \bowtie \dots \bowtie B \bowtie B^{*\text{cop}}. \end{aligned}$$

As we saw in 2.5.2, the following relations hold here:

$$b[2i] \beta[2j+1] = (b' \rightharpoonup \beta)[2j+1] b''[2i], \quad b \in B, \quad \beta \in B^{*\text{cop}}, \quad \text{for all } i \text{ and } j$$

(where  $B^{*\text{cop}} \rightarrow B^{*\text{cop}}[2j+1]$  and  $B \rightarrow B[2i]$  are the morphisms onto the respective factors, and we omit the  $\bowtie$  symbol for brevity), and

$$\alpha[2i+1] \beta[2j+1] = (\alpha''' \beta S^{*-1}(\alpha''))[2j+1] \alpha'[2i+1], \quad \alpha, \beta \in B^{*\text{cop}}, \quad i \geq j,$$

$$a[2i]b[2j] = (a'bS(a''))[2j]a'''[2i], \quad a, b \in B, \quad i \geq j.$$

The  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  action is diagonal and the coaction is codiagonal, for example,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(\alpha \bowtie a \bowtie \beta \bowtie b) &= ((\alpha'' \otimes 1)(\varepsilon \otimes a')(\beta'' \otimes 1)(\varepsilon \otimes b')) \otimes (\alpha' \bowtie a'' \bowtie \beta' \bowtie b'') \\ &= ((\alpha'' \otimes a')(\beta'' \otimes b')) \otimes (\alpha' \bowtie a'' \bowtie \beta' \bowtie b''). \end{aligned}$$

The chains with the leftmost  $B$  factor are defined entirely similarly. The obvious embeddings allow defining (one-sided or two-sided) inductive limits of alternating chains. All the chains are Yetter–Drinfeld module algebras, but none with  $\geq 3$  factors are braided commutative in general.

### 3. YETTER–DRINFELD MODULE ALGEBRAS AND THE ASSOCIATED HOPF ALGEBROID FOR $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$

In this section, we construct Yetter–Drinfeld module algebras for  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  at the  $2p$ th root of unity for an integer  $p \geq 2$  (see **1.5**), and also consider the Hopf algebroid associated with a braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld module algebra in accordance with the construction in [2].

$\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  can be obtained as a subquotient of the Drinfeld double of a Taft Hopf algebra  $B$  [23, 24] (a trick also used, e.g., in [43] for a closely related quantum group). On the “Heisenberg side,”  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  similarly yields  $\overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$ , a  $2p^3$ -dimensional braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$ -module algebra. This is worked out in **3.1–3.2** below; in **3.3**, dropping the coinvariants in  $\overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$ , we obtain the algebra of  $p \times p$  matrices, which is also a braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$ -module algebra. In **3.4**, we use the Brzeziński–Militaru theorem to construct the corresponding Hopf algebroid. Multiple alternating braided products are considered in **3.5**.

#### 3.1. $\mathcal{D}(B)$ and $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$ for the Taft Hopf algebra $B$ .

##### 3.1.1. The Taft Hopf algebra $B$ . Let

$$B = \text{Span}(E^m k^n), \quad 0 \leq m \leq p-1, \quad 0 \leq n \leq 4p-1,$$

be the  $4p^2$ -dimensional Hopf algebra generated by  $E$  and  $k$  with the relations

$$(3.1) \quad kE = \mathfrak{q}Ek, \quad E^p = 0, \quad k^{4p} = 1,$$

and with the comultiplication, counit, and antipode given by

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \Delta(E) &= 1 \otimes E + E \otimes k^2, \quad \Delta(k) = k \otimes k, \quad \varepsilon(E) = 0, \quad \varepsilon(k) = 1, \\ S(E) &= -Ek^{-2}, \quad S(k) = k^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

We define  $F, \varkappa \in B^*$  by

$$\langle F, E^m k^n \rangle = \delta_{m,1} \frac{\mathfrak{q}^{-n}}{\mathfrak{q} - \mathfrak{q}^{-1}}, \quad \langle \varkappa, E^m k^n \rangle = \delta_{m,0} \mathfrak{q}^{-n/2}.$$

Then [23]

$$B^* = \text{Span}(F^a \varkappa^b), \quad 0 \leq a \leq p-1, \quad 0 \leq b \leq 4p-1.$$

**3.1.2. The Drinfeld double  $\mathcal{D}(B)$ .** Direct calculation shows [23] that the Drinfeld double  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  is the Hopf algebra generated by  $E, F, k$ , and  $\varkappa$  with the relations given by

- i) relations (3.1) in  $B$ ,
- ii) the relations  $\varkappa F = qF\varkappa$ ,  $F^p = 0$ , and  $\varkappa^{4p} = 1$  in  $B^*$ , and
- iii) the cross-relations

$$k\varkappa = \varkappa k, \quad kFk^{-1} = q^{-1}F, \quad \varkappa E\varkappa^{-1} = q^{-1}E, \quad [E, F] = \frac{k^2 - \varkappa^2}{q - q^{-1}}.$$

The Hopf-algebra structure  $(\Delta_{\mathcal{D}}, \varepsilon_{\mathcal{D}}, S_{\mathcal{D}})$  of  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  is given by (3.2) and

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\mathcal{D}}(F) &= \varkappa^2 \otimes F + F \otimes 1, & \Delta_{\mathcal{D}}(\varkappa) &= \varkappa \otimes \varkappa, & \varepsilon_{\mathcal{D}}(F) &= 0, & \varepsilon_{\mathcal{D}}(\varkappa) &= 1, \\ S_{\mathcal{D}}(F) &= -\varkappa^{-2}F, & S_{\mathcal{D}}(\varkappa) &= \varkappa^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

**3.1.3. The Heisenberg double  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$ .** For the above  $B$ ,  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  is spanned by

$$(3.3) \quad F^a \varkappa^b \# E^c k^d, \quad a, c = 0, \dots, p-1, \quad b, d \in \mathbb{Z}/(4p\mathbb{Z}),$$

where  $\varkappa^{4p} = 1$ ,  $k^{4p} = 1$ ,  $F^p = 0$ , and  $E^p = 0$ . A convenient basis in  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  can be chosen as  $(\varkappa, z, \lambda, \partial)$ , where  $\varkappa$  is understood as  $\varkappa \# 1$  and

$$\begin{aligned} z &= -(q - q^{-1})\varepsilon \# Ek^{-2}, \\ \lambda &= \varkappa \# k, \\ \partial &= (q - q^{-1})F \# 1. \end{aligned}$$

The relations in  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  then become  $\varkappa z = q^{-1}z\varkappa$ ,  $\varkappa \lambda = q^{\frac{1}{2}}\lambda\varkappa$ ,  $\varkappa \partial = q\partial\varkappa$ ,  $\varkappa^{4p} = 1$ , and

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \lambda^{4p} &= 1, & z^p &= 0, & \partial^p &= 0, \\ \lambda z &= z\lambda, & \lambda \partial &= \partial \lambda, \\ \partial z &= (q - q^{-1})1 + q^{-2}z\partial. \end{aligned}$$

Then the  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  action on  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  in (1.2) becomes  $\varkappa \triangleright \varkappa^n = \varkappa^n$ ,  $\varkappa \triangleright \partial^n = q^n \partial^n$ ,  $\varkappa \triangleright \lambda^n = q^{\frac{n}{2}} \lambda^n$ ,  $\varkappa \triangleright z^n = q^{-n} z^n$ , and

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} E \triangleright \varkappa &= 0, & k \triangleright \varkappa^n &= q^{-\frac{n}{2}} \varkappa, & F \triangleright \varkappa^n &= -q^{\frac{n}{2}} \left[ \frac{n}{2} \right] \partial \varkappa^n, \\ E \triangleright \lambda^n &= q^{-\frac{n}{2}} \left[ \frac{n}{2} \right] \lambda^n z, & k \triangleright \lambda^n &= q^{-\frac{n}{2}} \lambda, & F \triangleright \lambda^n &= -q^{\frac{n}{2}} \left[ \frac{n}{2} \right] \lambda^n \partial, \\ E \triangleright z^n &= -q^n [n] z^{n+1}, & k \triangleright z^n &= q^n z^n, & F \triangleright z^n &= [n] q^{1-n} z^{n-1}, \\ E \triangleright \partial^n &= q^{1-n} [n] \partial^{n-1}, & k \triangleright \partial^n &= q^{-n} \partial^n, & F \triangleright \partial^n &= -q^n [n] \partial^{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

**3.2. The  $(\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{qsl}(2), \overline{\mathcal{H}}_{qsl}(2))$  pair.**

**3.2.1. From  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  to  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{qsl}(2)$ .** The “truncation” whereby  $\mathcal{D}(B)$  yields  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{qsl}(2)$  consists

of two steps [23]: first, taking the quotient

$$(3.6) \quad \overline{\mathcal{D}(B)} = \mathcal{D}(B)/(\varkappa k - 1)$$

by the Hopf ideal generated by the central element  $\varkappa \otimes k - \varepsilon \otimes 1$  and, second, identifying  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  as the subalgebra in  $\overline{\mathcal{D}(B)}$  spanned by  $F^\ell E^m k^{2n}$  with  $\ell, m = 0, \dots, p-1$  and  $n = 0, \dots, 2p-1$ . It then follows that  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  is a Hopf algebra—the one described in 1.5, where  $K = k^2$ .

The category of finite-dimensional  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  representations is not braided [28].

**3.2.2. From  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  to  $\overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$ .** In  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$ , dually to the two steps just mentioned, we take a subalgebra and then a quotient [4]. In the basis chosen above, the subalgebra (which is also a  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  submodule) is the one generated by  $z$ ,  $\partial$ , and  $\lambda$ . Its quotient by  $\lambda^{2p} = 1$  gives the  $2p^3$ -dimensional algebra

$$\overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2) = \mathbb{C}[z, \partial, \lambda] / ((3.4) \text{ and } (\lambda^{2p} - 1)).$$

As an associative algebra,

$$\overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2) = \mathbb{C}_{\mathfrak{q}}[z, \partial] \otimes (\mathbb{C}[\lambda] / (\lambda^{2p} - 1)),$$

with the  $p^2$ -dimensional algebra

$$(3.7) \quad \mathbb{C}_{\mathfrak{q}}[z, \partial] = \mathbb{C}[z, \partial] / (z^p, \partial^p, \partial z - (\mathfrak{q} - \mathfrak{q}^{-1}) - \mathfrak{q}^{-2}z\partial).$$

The  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  action on  $\overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  is given by the last three lines in (3.5), with the central column rewritten for  $K = k^2$ . The coaction  $\delta : \overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2) \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2) \otimes \overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  follows from (1.3) as

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &\mapsto 1 \otimes \lambda, \\ z^m &\mapsto \sum_{s=0}^m (-1)^s \mathfrak{q}^{s(1-m)} (\mathfrak{q} - \mathfrak{q}^{-1})^s \begin{bmatrix} m \\ s \end{bmatrix} E^s K^{-m} \otimes z^{m-s}, \\ \partial^m &\mapsto \sum_{s=0}^m \mathfrak{q}^{s(m-s)} (\mathfrak{q} - \mathfrak{q}^{-1})^s \begin{bmatrix} m \\ s \end{bmatrix} F^s K^{s-m} \otimes \partial^{m-s}. \end{aligned}$$

**3.2.3.** *With the  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  action and coaction given above,  $\overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$  is a braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$ -module algebra.*

**3.3. Matrix braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld module algebras.** It follows that  $\mathbb{C}_{\mathfrak{q}}[z, \partial]$  in (3.7)—the algebra of “quantum differential operators on a line”—is also a braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}}sl(2)$ -module algebra. It is in fact the full matrix algebra [39],

$$(3.8) \quad \mathbb{C}_{\mathfrak{q}}[z, \partial] \cong \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}).$$

**3.3.1.** That  $\mathbb{C}_q[z, \partial]$  is (semisimple and) isomorphic to  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$  already follows from a more general picture elegantly developed in [44], where “para-Grassmann” algebras of the form  $\mathbb{C}[z, \partial]/(z^p, \partial^p)$  with *various* additional relations on the  $z^i \partial^j$  were studied. The relations between our  $z$  and  $\partial$ ,

$$\partial^m z^n = \sum_{i \geq 0} q^{-(2m-i)n + im - \frac{i(i-1)}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} m \\ i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ i \end{bmatrix} [i]! (q - q^{-1})^i z^{n-i} \partial^{m-i}$$

(where the range of  $i$  is bounded above by  $\min(m, n)$  because of the  $q$ -binomial coefficients), are nondegenerate in terms of the classification in [44], hence the isomorphism with the full matrix algebra.

We describe (3.8) as an isomorphism of  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_q s\ell(2)$  module comodule algebras. The generators  $z$  and  $\partial$  have the respective matrix representations  $Z$  and  $D$  in (1.15) (where we do not reduce the expressions using that  $q^p = -1$  and  $[p - i] = [i]$  to highlight a pattern). Coaction (1.16) is then just the  $m = 1$  case of the formulas in **3.2.2**, and it is not difficult to see that the last three lines in (3.5) yield formulas (1.12)–(1.14) — so far, with no effect of the rescaling of  $\lambda$  in (1.12).

**3.3.2.** Once  $\mathbb{C}_q[z, \partial]$  is thus identified with  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$ , we can write

$$\overline{\mathcal{H}}_q s\ell(2) = \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda])$$

(where we recall that  $\mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda] = \mathbb{C}[\lambda]/(\lambda^{2p} - 1)$ ), and it is immediate to see from (3.5) that  $\lambda$  entering the matrix entries rescales under the  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_q s\ell(2)$  action as indicated in (1.12). This establishes formulas (1.12)–(1.14).

**3.3.3.** For example, for  $p = 3$ , choosing  $x_{ij} = \lambda^{n_{ij}} y_{ij}$  with  $\lambda$ -independent  $y_{ij}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} F \triangleright \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^{n_{11}} y_{11} & \lambda^{n_{12}} y_{12} & \lambda^{n_{13}} y_{13} \\ \lambda^{n_{21}} y_{21} & \lambda^{n_{22}} y_{22} & \lambda^{n_{23}} y_{23} \\ \lambda^{n_{31}} y_{31} & \lambda^{n_{32}} y_{32} & \lambda^{n_{33}} y_{33} \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^{n_{21}} y_{21} & \lambda^{n_{22}} y_{22} - q^{n_{11}} \lambda^{n_{11}} y_{11} & \lambda^{n_{23}} y_{23} + q^{n_{12}-2} \lambda^{n_{12}} y_{12} \\ q^{-1} \lambda^{n_{31}} y_{31} & q^{-1} \lambda^{n_{32}} y_{32} - q^{n_{21}-2} \lambda^{n_{21}} y_{21} & q^{-1} \lambda^{n_{33}} y_{33} + q^{n_{22}-4} \lambda^{n_{22}} y_{22} \\ 0 & -q^{n_{31}+2} \lambda^{n_{31}} y_{31} & q^{n_{32}} \lambda^{n_{32}} y_{32} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

**3.3.4.** As an example of the coaction in matrix form,  $\delta : \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{U}}_q s\ell(2) \otimes \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$ , we give the only typographically manageable case, that of  $p = 2$ . Writing elements of  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_q s\ell(2) \otimes \text{Mat}_2(\mathbb{C})$  as matrices with  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_q s\ell(2)$ -valued entries, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta X \\ = \begin{pmatrix} (1 - 2iEFK^3)x_{11} + Fx_{12} - 2iEK^3x_{21} + 2iEFK^3x_{22} & 2iEK^2x_{11} + K^3x_{12} - 2iEK^2x_{22} \\ FK^3x_{11} + K^3x_{21} - FK^3x_{22} & (1 - K^2 - 2iEFK^3)x_{11} + Fx_{12} - 2iEK^3x_{21} + (K^2 + 2iEFK^3)x_{22} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$



**3.3.5.** It would be interesting to find a direct *matrix* derivation of the Yetter–Drinfeld axiom for  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$  and the braided commutativity property

$$(X_{(-1)} \triangleright Y)X_{(0)} = XY, \quad X, Y \in \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}).$$

We illustrate the structure occurring in the left-hand side here before the matrix multiplication, with the known result, is evaluated (again, necessarily restricting ourself to  $p = 2$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} (X_{(-1)} \triangleright Y) \otimes X_{(0)} &= \begin{pmatrix} y_{11} & -y_{12} \\ -y_{21} & y_{22} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_{12} \\ x_{21} & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} y_{11} & y_{12} \\ y_{21} & y_{22} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & x_{22} \end{pmatrix} \\ &+ \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{i}{2}y_{12} & 0 \\ \frac{i}{2}(y_{11}-y_{22}) & -\frac{i}{2}y_{12} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2i(x_{11}-x_{22}) \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{i}{2}y_{12} & 0 \\ \frac{i}{2}(y_{11}-y_{22}) & \frac{i}{2}y_{12} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} -2ix_{21} & 0 \\ 0 & -2ix_{21} \end{pmatrix} \\ &+ \begin{pmatrix} y_{21} & y_{11}-y_{22} \\ 0 & y_{21} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ x_{22}-x_{11} & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} y_{21} & y_{22}-y_{11} \\ 0 & y_{21} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} x_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & x_{12} \end{pmatrix} \\ &+ \begin{pmatrix} \frac{i}{2}(y_{22}-y_{11}) & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{i}{2}(y_{22}-y_{11}) \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 2i(x_{11}-x_{22}) & 0 \\ 0 & 2i(x_{11}-x_{22}) \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

**3.4. Hopf algebroid with the  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$  base.** Theorem 4.1 in [2] nicely reinterprets the structure of a braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld  $H$ -module algebra  $A$  as a bialgebroid structure on  $A \# H$ . (We refer the reader to [2] for a comprehensive discussion of (Hopf|bi)algebroids, also in relation to Lu’s bialgebroids [16], Xu’s bialgebroids with an anchor [45], and Takeuchi’s  $\times_A$ -bialgebras [46], as well as for references to other related works.)

The examples of Hopf algebroids  $A \# H$  with our braided commutative Yetter–Drinfeld module algebras  $A = \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda])$  or  $A = \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$  may be of some interest because of the explicit matrix structure of the base algebra  $A$ . Below, we follow [2], adapting the formulas there to a *left* comodule algebra by duly inserting the antipodes. To somewhat simplify the notation, we discuss the “ $\lambda$ -independent” example, i.e., the Hopf algebroid structure of  $\mathcal{A} = \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}) \# \overline{\mathcal{U}}_q \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ ; reintroducing  $\mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda]$  on the matrix side is left to the reader.

As a vector space,  $\mathcal{A} \cong \text{Mat}_p(\overline{\mathcal{U}}_q \mathfrak{sl}(2))$ , matrices with  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_q \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ -valued entries; we can therefore write  $1 \# h = \mathbf{1}h$  ( $h \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}_q \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ ), where  $\mathbf{1}$  is the unit  $p \times p$  matrix; with a slight abuse of notation, similarly,  $X \# 1 = X$ , understood as a “constant”  $p \times p$  matrix. An arbitrary element of  $\mathcal{A}$  can be written as  $\sum_{i,j=1}^p e_{ij} h_{ij}$ , where the  $e_{ij}$  are the standard elementary matrices and  $h_{ij} \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}_q \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ . The smash-product composition is then given by

$$\left( \sum_{i,j=1}^p e_{ij} h_{ij} \right) \left( \sum_{m,n=1}^p e_{mn} g_{mn} \right) = \sum_{i,j=1}^p \sum_{m,n=1}^p e_{ij} (h'_{ij} \triangleright e_{mn}) h''_{ij} g_{mn}, \quad h_{ij}, g_{mn} \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}_q \mathfrak{sl}(2),$$

with the left action  $\triangleright$  to be evaluated in accordance with (1.12)–(1.14). We write  $\mathcal{A} = \text{Mat}_p(\overline{\mathcal{U}}_q \mathfrak{sl}(2))_{\#}$ , with the subscript reminding of the smash-product composition in this algebra (which is highly nonstandard from the matrix standpoint).

The relevant structures

$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon &: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}), \\ s, t &: \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}, \\ \Delta &: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes_{\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})} \mathcal{A}, \\ \tau &: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}\end{aligned}$$

(the counit, the source and target maps, the coproduct, and the antipode) are as follows.

The counit  $\varepsilon : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$  acts componentwise,

$$\varepsilon\left(\sum_{i,j=1}^p e_{ij} h_{ij}\right) = \sum_{i,j=1}^p e_{ij} \varepsilon(h_{ij}).$$

The source map  $s : \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is the identical map onto constant matrices. The target map  $t : \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{A} = \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}) \# \overline{\mathcal{U}}_q s\ell(2)$  is given by

$$t(X) = X_{(0)} \# S^{-1}(X_{(-1)}),$$

where  $\delta(X) = X_{(-1)} \otimes X_{(0)} \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}_q s\ell(2) \otimes \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$  is the coaction defined in (1.16). It then follows that  $Z$  and  $D$  in (1.15) map under  $t$  into the following two-diagonal matrices with  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_q s\ell(2)$ -valued entries:

$$(3.9) \quad t(Z) = \begin{pmatrix} (q - q^{-1})E & 0 & & & \\ K & (q - q^{-1})E & 0 & & \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & \dots & K & (q - q^{-1})E & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & K & (q - q^{-1})E \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(3.10) \quad t(D) = (q - q^{-1}) \begin{pmatrix} -FK & K & & & \\ 0 & -FK & q^{-1}[2]K & & \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & -FK & q^{2-p}[p-1]K \\ 0 & \dots & & 0 & -FK \end{pmatrix}.$$

For any complex matrix  $Y = \sum_{m,n} y_{mn} Z^m D^n$ , we use (3.9) and (3.10) to calculate  $t(Y) = \sum_{m,n} y_{mn} t(D)^n t(Z)^m \in \mathcal{A}$  (evidently, with the smash-product multiplication understood). Furthermore, elementary calculation using the braided commutativity shows that

$$t(Y)(X \# h) = X \cdot t(Y) \cdot h, \quad X, Y \in \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}),$$

where, abusing the notation, the dot denotes both *matrix product* and the *product* in  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_q s\ell(2)$ , with articulately no “smash” effects because multiplication with a constant matrix is on the left and with a  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_q s\ell(2)$  element on the right.

The coproduct  $\Delta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes_{\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})} \mathcal{A}$  is (co)componentwise,

$$\Delta\left(\sum_{i,j=1}^P e_{ij} h_{ij}\right) = \sum_{i,j=1}^P e_{ij} h'_{ij} \otimes_{\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})} \mathbf{1} h''_{ij}, \quad h_{ij} \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}} s\ell(2).$$

The  $\otimes_{\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})}$  product is here defined with respect to the right action of  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$  on  $\mathcal{A}$  via  $(X \# h) \cdot Y = t(Y)(X \# h)$  and the left action via  $Y \cdot (X \# h) = s(Y)(X \# h)$ , and hence

$$(X \cdot t(A) \cdot h) \otimes_{\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})} (Y \# g) = (X \# h) \otimes_{\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})} (AY \# g)$$

holds for all  $X, A, Y \in \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$  and  $g, h \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}} s\ell(2)$  (where the first factor in the left-hand side, again, involves matrix and  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}} s\ell(2)$  products on the different sides of  $t(A)$ ).

The antipode  $\tau : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is given by another simple adaptation of a formula in [2]:

$$\tau(X \# h) = (1 \# S(h))((S(X''_{(-1)}) \triangleright X_{(0)}) \# S(X'_{(-1)})), \quad X \in \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}), \quad h \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}} s\ell(2),$$

with the product in the right-hand side to be taken in  $\mathcal{A}$ .<sup>2</sup> On  $1 \# \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}} s\ell(2)$ , this is just the  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}} s\ell(2)$  antipode, and on  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$ ,  $\tau(X) = (1 \# S(X_{(-1)}))(X_{(0)} \# 1)$ ; a simple calculation then shows that

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(Z) &= \mathfrak{q}^2 t(Z), \\ \tau(D) &= \mathfrak{q}^{-2} t(D). \end{aligned}$$

Being an anti-algebra map, again, this extends to all of  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}) \ni \sum_{m,n} y_{mn} Z^m D^n$ .

Some of the Hopf algebroid properties (see [2, Definition 2.2] for a nicely refined list of axioms), e.g.,  $\tau(t(X)) = s(X)$  and  $t(X)s(Y) = s(Y)t(X)$ , are evident for  $\mathcal{A} = \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}) \# \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}} s\ell(2)$  described in matrix form; with others, it is not entirely obvious how far one can proceed with verifying them in a purely *matrix* language, i.e., not following [2] in resorting to the Yetter–Drinfeld module algebra properties; so much more interesting is the fact that  $\text{Mat}_p(\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}} s\ell(2))_{\#}$  at  $\mathfrak{q} = e^{i\pi/p}$  is a Hopf algebroid over  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})$ .

As already noted, it is entirely straightforward to extend the above formulas to describe  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda]) \# \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}} s\ell(2) = \text{Mat}_p(\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathfrak{q}} s\ell(2) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda])_{\#}$  as a Hopf algebroid over  $\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}_{2p}[\lambda]) \equiv \text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C}[\lambda]/(\lambda^{2p} - 1))$ .

**3.5. Heisenberg “chains.”** The Heisenberg  $n$ -tuples/chains defined in 2.5.3 can also be “truncated” similarly to how we passed from  $\mathcal{H}(B^*)$  to  $\overline{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathfrak{q}} s\ell(2)$ . An additional possibility

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<sup>2</sup>And the section  $\gamma$  of the natural projection  $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes_{\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})} \mathcal{A}$ , required in the definition of a Hopf algebroid [2] to satisfy the condition  $m \circ (\text{id} \otimes \tau) \circ \gamma \circ \Delta = s \circ \varepsilon$ , is given by  $\gamma : (X \# h) \otimes_{\text{Mat}_p(\mathbb{C})} (Y \# g) \mapsto (X \cdot t(Y) \cdot h) \otimes (\mathbf{1} g)$ .

here is to drop the coinvariant  $\lambda$  altogether, which leaves us with the “*truly Heisenberg*” Yetter–Drinfeld  $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{qsl}(2)$ -module algebras

$$\mathbf{H}_2 = \mathbb{C}_q^{*p}[\partial_1] \bowtie \mathbb{C}_q^p[z_2] = \mathbb{C}_q[z_2, \partial_1],$$

$$\mathbf{H}_{2n} = \mathbb{C}_q^{*p}[\partial_1] \bowtie \mathbb{C}_q^p[z_2] \bowtie \dots \bowtie \mathbb{C}_q^{*p}[\partial_{2n-1}] \bowtie \mathbb{C}_q^p[z_{2n}],$$

$$\mathbf{H}_{2n+1} = \mathbb{C}_q^{*p}[\partial_1] \bowtie \mathbb{C}_q^p[z_2] \bowtie \dots \bowtie \mathbb{C}_q^{*p}[\partial_{2n-1}] \bowtie \mathbb{C}_q^p[z_{2n}] \bowtie \mathbb{C}_q^{*p}[\partial_{2n+1}]$$

(or their infinite versions), where  $\mathbb{C}_q^{*p}[\partial] = \mathbb{C}[\partial]/\partial^p$  and  $\mathbb{C}_q^p[z] = \mathbb{C}[z]/z^p$  with the braiding inherited from **2.5.3**, which amounts to using the relations

$$\partial_i z_j = q - q^{-1} + q^{-2} z_j \partial_i$$

for *all* (odd)  $i$  and (even)  $j$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} z_i z_j &= q^{-2} z_j z_i + (1 - q^{-2}) z_j^2, \\ \partial_i \partial_j &= q^2 \partial_j \partial_i + (1 - q^2) \partial_j^2, \end{aligned} \quad i \geq j$$

(and  $z_i^p =$  and  $\partial_i^p = 0$ ; our relations may be interestingly compared with those in para-Grassmann algebras studied in [47]).

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